GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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NATIONAL URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE FUND
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government is considering for setting up of National Urban Infrastructure Fund to provide long term finance to bankrupt urban local bodies in the country under JNNURM;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether Planning Commission has raised objection for allowing municipalities to raise money or participation of private financial institutions as HUDCO in performing this role; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. However, the details of the proposal could be known only after it is firmed up.

(c)&(d): No, Sir. However, Planning Commission has suggested that there may be no need for setting up of a new financial institution like proposed National Urban Infrastructure Fund and its Asset Management Company to perform function that could properly be assigned to an already existing organization like HUDCO.